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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1946-1947

Moderator
HAROLD H. WILKINS

Selectmen
ERNEST H. PEASLEE MERIC G. ARNOLD
RALPH C. BILLS

Town Treasurer
CATHERINE A. KRUGER

Tax Collector
HIRAM R. ELLIOTT

Town Clerk
HORTON S. ALLEN

Road Agent
GUY H. NELSON

Auditors
ORSON S. BRAGDON GEORGE H. HOWARD

Supervisors of the Checklist
HIRAM R. ELLIOTT ETHEL W. EMERSON
LILLA M. BROWN

Trustees of Trust Funds
HAROLD H. WILKINS PAULINE M. CLARK
ROY W. DAVIS

Firewards
ASHTON L. MARTIN ARTHUR L. DANIELS
FRANK F. RICHARDSON

Forest Fire Warden
ASHTON L. MARTIN

Sexton of Cemeteries
CLARENCE H. HAGAR

Constable
ALBERT H. JUNKINS

Trustees of the Library
CLEAVELAND CAMPBELL
MRS. GEORGE HUNTINGTON
DR. JOHN LeBOSQUET BERTHA PIPER
LAWRENCE CLARK NELLE L. HOLMES

School Board
ARTHUR L. UNDERWOOD CHARLES F. PRIOR
CEVIE M. WESTON

Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber
FRED W. HUBBARD

Health Officer
DR. OSCAR BURNS

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs: Polls to close at 12 o'clock.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Amherst on Tuesday, the 11th day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to give the Selectmen and Treasurer authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

4. To see if the town will vote to give discount on taxes at 1½ per cent to August 1st.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate $50.00 to fix the Cemetery on Chestnut Hill.

6. To see if the town will vote to oil the road from Silva's to the Merrimack line and raise and appropriate money for same.

7. To see if the town will vote to oil the road at Cricket Corner from Roby's to the Merrimack line and raise and appropriate money for same.

8. To see if the town will vote to install an electric light on the Milford Road by the Lyndeboro Road and raise and appropriate money for same.

9. To see if the town will vote to widen and complete the bridge over Baboosic Brook on the road going towards Camp Judea and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00.

10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $960.71 for T. R. A. State will contribute $3842.82.

11. To see if the town will vote to put the Mack Hill Road in shape and oil it from in front of Ryan's to the foot of Mack Hill and raise and appropriate money for same.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $992.00 for a suitable War II Memorial Book.

13. To see if the town will vote to oil 3/10 of a mile of road

from the Bedford and Amherst town line in front of the Horace Greeley place and raise and appropriate money for same.

14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to oil Lake and Lake Front Street at Lake Baboosic.

15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to oil Clark's Avenue at Lake Baboosic.

16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to install and maintain a light on Public Service pole No. 20 near Wenzell's pavilion.

17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding $132.98 (1/100th of one per cent of the town's valuation based on the 1946 assessment) to the Merrimack Valley Region Association for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the town in cooperation with the other 37 communities in the Merrimack Valley Region.

18. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the roads in the bombing area.

19. To see if the town will vote to rescind the Zoning Ordinance which was adopted at the Annual Town Meeting held March 12, 1946.

20. To see if the town will vote to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows, or take any action thereto. Add to Article I, District I, Sec. II. A. Any person wishing to erect a new building, addition to present building, establish new business, or erect signs, shall first receive a written permit from the Administrative official. B. Eliminate present Article II and substitute the following Article II. Upon any well founded information that this ordinance is being violated, the Administrative official shall on his own initiative take immediate steps to enforce the provisions of this ordinance. C. Add to Article III. The Moderator with the approval of the Selectmen shall appoint an Administrative official and fill this vacancy if one occurs.

21. To see if the town will vote to surface and treat with oil 1 1/10 miles of road on Christian Hill and raise and appropriate money for same.

22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 to gravel and provide proper drainage on Main Street between Davis Lane and Locke's Corner.

23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the

sum of $300.00 to oil Main Street between Davis Lane and Locke's Corner.

24. To see if the town will vote to surface and treat with oil that part of the road on Walnut Hill beginning where the present black road ends and continuing to Chisolm's farm buildings and raise and appropriate money for same.

25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $725.00 to complete the renovation to the town hall kitchen and to provide a dry well for kitchen sink drain as detailed in Item 1 of the report of your Town Hall committee.

26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $420.00 for urgently needed repairs and new installation as detailed in Item 2 of the report of your Town Hall committee.

27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 to be placed in a fund toward the purchase and installation of a heating plant for the Town Hall building as detailed in Item 3 of the report of your Town Hall committee.

28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $575.00, or any part of such sum, to be used for desirable improvements to the Town Hall building as detailed in Item 4 of the report of your Town Hall committee.

29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed $100.00 for the purpose of an audit of all the town's books and accounts, the audit to be made through the State Tax Commission. The purpose being to modernize and improve upon the system now being employed.

30. To see if the town will vote to direct the Selectmen to appoint within 30 days, three citizens, other than themselves, to serve as Road Commissioners. They are to aid and assist the Road Agent and will serve with no salary. The Selectmen to fill any vacancies when they occur, and the Commissioners to report at each town meeting, or at any special town meetings.

31. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

ERNEST H. PEASLEE,
MERIC G. ARNOLD,
RALPH C. BILLS,
Selectmen of Amherst.

NON-TAXABLE PROPERTY

Baptist Church	$ 5,000 00
Baptist Parsonage	1,500 00
Congregational Church	15,000 00
Congregational Parsonage	3,500 00
Town Hall	10,000 00
Fire House	2,000 00
Fire Apparatus	5,000 00
Town Library	7,500 00
Town Library, Contents	4,000 00
School, District No. 1	15,200 00
Clark School	7,000 00

DETAILS OF INVENTORY OF TOWN

Land and buildings	$1,188,401 00
Timber	60,020 00
Horses, 59	7,800 00
Cows, 378	44,865 00
Neat stock, 79	6,475 00
Oxen, 2	400 00
Sheep, 12	130 00
Hogs, 4	100 00
Hens, 28,465	35,928 75
Ducks, 22	22 00
Turkeys, 49	147 00
Goats, 19	190 00
Wood, bark and lumber	2,820 00
Gasoline	2,255 00
Stock in trade	12,950 00
Water system	500 00
	$1,363,003 75
Exemptions to Veterans	33,170 00
Property tax	51,863 52

Tax Rate, $3.90
School Tax Rate, $1.66

INVENTORY OF TOWN

Inventory	$1,363,003 75
Exemption to Veterans	33,170 00
	$1,329,833 75
Tax Rate, $3.90	
School Rate, $1.66	
Property tax	$51,863 52
Poll Taxes, 588 at $2.00	1,176 00
	$53,039 52

INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES

State:	
Interest and dividend tax	$ 1762 93
Railroad tax	29 93
Savings Bank tax	145 77
State land	15 60
Bounties	22 50
Forest fires	32 92
Use of grader	98 00
Dog licenses	546 10
Rent of town hall	155 00
Registration of motor vehicles	1762 93
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	2000 00
Filing fees	10 00
New Boston and Mont Vernon school tax	369 35
Fisk Highway Fund	37 96
Gifts	1203 32
Pistol permits	3 50
Use of fire truck	18 00
Sale of holster and cartridges	4 42
B. and M. for fires	55 36
Town of Merrimack	91 45
Use of green	37 00
Sale of cemetery lots	97 50
Refunds	25 37

Bowling alley license	15 00
Forest fires	23 33
Savil Construction Co.	109 60
Property sold from tax collector's deeds	343 16
Use of trucks graveling	376 10
Interest on taxes	2 76
	$9394 86

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

	Expended 1946	Estimates 1947
Town officers' salaries	$1524 25	$1752 89
Town officers' expenses	1306 20	1500 00
Election and registration	221 30	150 00
Town hall	419 33	700 00
Police department	625 67	550 00
Fire department	1856 49	1800 00
Town aid	938 98	200 00
Dog damage	52 36	
Health department	130 00	100 00
Vital statistics	73 25	100 00
Bounties	45 50	
Town maintenance	12055 10	6000 00
Snow	6184 60	6000 00
Oiling	2679 71	6000 00
General expense of highway dept.	94 68	300 00
Library	800 00	1000 00
Special appropriation library roof	100 00	
Street lights	1393 58	1414 02
Old age assistance	1999 39	2000 00
Memorial Day	97 80	125 00
Parks and playgrounds	575 00	575 00
Cemeteries	700 00	800 00
Interest	127 08	150 00
Town clock	25 00	25 00
Town debt	1500 00	1500 00
Auto permit fees	155 75	175 00

Spraying	563 70	300 00
Town dumps	72 20	200 00
Trustees of trust funds	1203 32	
Soldiers' bonus poll tax	302 88	
Town hall sign	71 20	
Special appropriation Jail Ave.	295 63	
Road east side of Baboosic Lake	149 90	
Special appropriation for kitchen	519 35	
Temporary loans	2000 00	
Repair of bridge at Peterson's	109 60	
Special appropriation road at Camp Judea	33 30	
Guy H. Nelson, gravel	291 90	
Taxes bought by town	312 27	
Grader fund	214 55	
Special appropriation, town roof	200 00	
Refunds	24 00	
Legal advice	25 00	25 00
County tax	5497 80	
Schools	18664 29	
	$66,231 91	$33,441 91

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

Town Officers' Salaries:

Appropriation $1525 00

Expended:

Ernest H. Peaslee, selectman	$287 50	
Meric G. Arnold, selectman	287 50	
Ralph C. Bills, selectman	287 50	
Hiram R. Elliott, tax collector	230 00	
Zebina B. Kemp, treasurer	31 00	
Catherine A. Kruger, treasurer	137 75	
Horton S. Allen, clerk	172 50	
Pauline M. Clark, clerk of trust funds	57 50	
George H. Howard, auditor	18 00	
Orson H. Bragdon, auditor	15 00	
	———	$1524 25

Town Officers' Expense:

Appropriation $1150.00

Expended:

Ralph C. Bills, use of car	$ 50 00	
Ernest H. Peaslee, use of car and tel.	12 50	
Ernest H. Peaslee, paid Roland Goodwin	1 50	
Meric G. Arnold, use of car & tel.	10 00	
A. L. Keyes Insurance, officers' bonds	75 00	
Remington & Rand, supplies	1 50	
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	1 65	
Philip Morris, supplies	60	
Rotch Ins. Agency, bonds and insurance	179 00	
Souhegan National Bank, deposit box	5 00	
Public Service Co., bulbs	38	
N. A. D. Association, car book	8 00	
Alice K. Peaslee, clerical work	30 00	
Wilfred J. Boisclair, names furnished	60	
N. H. Assessors Assoc., dues	2 00	

Donat Corriveau, transfers on deeds	48 19	
Vincent P. Brine, supplies	53 31	
The Cabinet Press:		
Printing inventory of town	244 00	
Printing town reports	206 25	
Printing vital statistics	50 40	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone calls	13 20	
H. R. Elliott, phone and supplies	111 75	
Horton S. Allen, drawing deeds and supplies	17 80	
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	60 09	
Z. B. Kemp, supplies	2 25	
The Cabinet Press, notices, printing	121 23	
		$1306 20

Election and Registration:
Appropriation $250.00

Expended:

Harold H. Wilkins, moderator	$20 00	
Hiram R. Elliott, supervisor	48 00	
Frederick W. Brown, supervisor	48 00	
Ethel W. Emerson, supervisor	48 00	
Frank L. Pearson, ballot clerk	7 00	
Frank L. Pearson, assistant clerk town meeting	5 00	
Dwight P. Brown, ass't. to voters	15 00	
Maurice Merrill, ass't. to voters	5 00	
Carl H. Perrin, ass't. to voters	5 00	
Allen Howard, ballot clerk	10 00	
Howard R. Locke, ballot clerk	5 00	
Hibbert Miles, ballot clerk	5 00	
Andrew J. Raymond, supplies	30	
		$221 30

Town Hall:
Appropriation $400.00

Expended:

Dwight P. Brown, janitor	$180 00	

Dwight P. Brown, piling wood	1 75	
Public Service Co., lights	77 52	
Public Service Co., supplies	2 23	
Mutual Studios, fireproofing scenery	66 00	
Louis Hayward, sawing and putting in wood	16 00	
Rotch Insurance Agency, insurance	50 00	
Andrew J. Raymond, supplies	12 33	
Warren McCullough, setting glass	2 50	
Frank Hartshorn Co., kindling	9 50	
Howard R. Locke, labor	1 50	
		$419 33

Police Department:

Appropriation $400.00

Expended:

A. B. Hubley:		
Services as constable	$ 45 00	
Dances at Lake	180 00	
Uniforms and equipment	45 12	
Ober Clothing Co., uniforms	143 20	
Albert Junkins, services as constable	94 59	
Meric G. Arnold, services as special officer	40 00	
Robert Horoth, serv. as spec. officer	19 00	
Chas. Reynolds, serv. as spec. officer	13 00	
Harry Boutelle, serv. as spec. officer	12 00	
Lawrence Hubley, serv. spec. officer	5 00	
S. M. Spencer Mfg. Co., supplies	28 76	
		$625 67

Fire Department:

Appropriation $1850.00

Expended:

A. L. Martin, fire chief	$ 25 00	
A. L. Martin, forest fire warden	25 00	
A. L. Daniels, 1st fire ward	15 00	
Frank Richardson, 2nd fire ward	15 00	

Walter Ryan, janitor	75 00	
Lawrence Engine Co., firemen's salaries	200 00	
A. L. Martin, house fires	35 80	
A. L. Martin, chimney fires	59 05	
A. L. Martin, forest fires	168 73	
A. L. Martin, grass fires	4 15	
A. L. Martin, dump fires	14 63	
A. L. Martin, rescuing dog	2 50	
A. L. Martin, labor and supplies	69 93	
Clark's Garage, labor and supplies	107 80	
Locke Jenney Service, supplies	19 50	
Guy H. Nelson, labor	34 70	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone	35 75	
Public Service Co., lights	50 65	
Farrar Co., supplies	48 00	
Andrew J. Raymond, supplies	399 53	
Milford Grain and Coal Co., fuel	91 69	
Rotch Insurance Agency, insurance	111 68	
W. A. Proctor, insurance	8 75	
Charles A. Tracy, insurance	36 15	
Mass. Bonding and Ins., insurance on firemen	162 50	
Milford Water Works, 2 hydrants rental	40 00	
	———	$1856 49
Credits	$129 61	

Town Aid:

Appropriation $750.00

Expended:

For A. A. Clark:

Andrew J. Raymond, groceries	$202 84	
Hillsboro Co. Hospital, med. care	303 00	
	———	$505 84

For S. Martin:

Andrew J. Raymond, groceries	$162 82	
Frank Hartshorn Co., wood	18 50	

Louis Hayward, wood	4 50	
Converse and Peaslee, wood	24 00	
H. S. Jones, wood	10 00	
		219 82
For Lillian Newton:		
H. R. Elliott, groceries	$ 6 94	
Amherst Cash Store, groceries	35 37	
Amherst Clover Farm Stores, groc.	23 15	
		65 46
For Florence Grant:		
H. R. Elliott, groceries	$15 88	
Amherst Cash Store, groceries	68 67	
Amherst Clover Farm Store, groc.	19 91	
Dr. James S. Black, medical care	38 00	
		142 46
Guy Nelson, moving wood at Mrs. Barrett's		5 40
		$938 98

Dog Damage:

Expended:		
Albert B. Hubley, dog officer	$21 00	
Albert Junkins, dog officer	4 00	
Cole Printing Co., supplies	15 61	
The Phaneuf Press, supplies	11 75	
		$52 36

Health Department:

Appropriation $50.00

Expended:		
Dr. Oscar Burns, health officer	$89 00	
Simon Stone, M.D.	25 00	
Clifford Howland, M. D.	10 00	
Elna P. Howard	6 00	
		$130 00

Vital Statistics

Appropriation $50.00

Expended:

Horton S. Allen	$66 25	
Dr. Clifford Howland	1 25	
Rev. Francis T. Hogan	50	
Dr. Oscar Burns	2 75	
Rev. John E. LeBosquet	75	
Rev. Neree A. Blanchard	25	
Rev. Earl A. Mack	25	
Rev. Maurice E. Barrett	25	
Rev. E. Eldredge Brewster	25	
Rev. S. C. Liede	25	
Dr. N. M. Jackson	50	
	———	$73 25

Bounties:

Expended:

Ernest H. Peaslee, paid for hedgehogs	$13 00	
Meric G. Arnold, paid for hedgehogs	17 50	
Ralph C. Bills, paid for hedgehogs	8 50	
Paid George A. Parker for hedgehogs	6 00	
Paid Tex Arnold for hedgehogs	50	
	———	$45 50

Town Maintenance:

Appropriation $12,000.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent	$4976 33	
Guy H. Nelson, road agent, gravel	7078 77	
	———	$12,055 10

Credits from gravel:

George A. Gulick	$46 20
Carl Merrill	6 00
Louis Hayward	32 40
	———
	$84 60

Snow:

Appropriation $4500.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent	$2206 78	
Fred H. Willard, road agent	3977 82	
	———	$6184 60

Oiling:

Appropriation $2500.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent	$2679 71

General Expense of Highway Department:

Appropriation $300.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson	$94 68

Library:

Appropriation $800.00

Expended:

Lawrence E. Clark, treasurer	$800 00

Special Appropriation Library Roof:

Appropriation $100.00

Expended:

Lawrence E. Clark, treasurer	$100 00

Street Lights:

Appropriation $1375.00

Expended:

Public Service Co., village lights	$1138 58	
Public Service Co., Baboosic lights	255 00	
	———	$1393 58

Old Age Assistance:

Appropriation $2200.00

Expended:

Treas. State of N. H. for O. A. A.	$1999 39

Memorial Day:

Appropriation $100.00

Expended:

Meric G. Arnold, paid for band	$75 00	
Meric G. Arnold, paid for speaker	5 00	
The Cabinet Press, programs	5 75	
Jo Kay Sign Service, honor roll	6 50	
Frank F. Richardson, wreaths	2 00	
William V. C. Hall, telephone calls	3 55	
	———	$97 80

Parks and Playgrounds:

Appropriations $575.00

Expended:

Clarence H. Hagar, labor	$575 00

Cemeteries:

Appropriation $700.00

Expended:

Clarence H. Hagar, sexton	$700 00

Interest:

Appropriation $175.00

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	$67 08	
Guy C. Came	30 00	
J. A. or M. E. Crawford	15 00	
Elizabeth M. Proctor	15 00	
	———	$127 08

Town Clock:

Appropriaiton $25.00

Expended:

Dwight P. Brown, care of clock	$25 00

Long Term Notes:

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	$1500 00

Auto Permit Fees:

Appropriation $150.00

Expended:

Paid Horton S. Allen, town clerk		$155 75

Spraying:

Appropriation $400.00

Expended:

A. F. Caron, trimming trees	$312 00	
F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co., spraying	100 00	
Guy H. Nelson, labor	121 80	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, supplies	29 90	
	———	$563 70

Town Dump:

Appropriation $75.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent		$72 20

Trustees of Trust Funds:

Hannah M. Hartshorn Estate	$303 32	
Alida E. Seaverns	100 00	
Mrs. Ellen B. Brown	100 00	
F. W. Sawyer Estate	100 00	
Maurice C. Merrill	200 00	
Mrs. Margery A. Gilmore	100 00	
Libbie A. Brewster	100 00	
Vincent P. Brine	200 00	
	———	$1203 32

Soldiers Bonus Poll Tax:

Expended:

Treas. State of N. H.		$302 88

Town Hall Sign:

Appropriation $100.00

Expended:

J. Ernest Medlyn, cutting stone for sign	$24 00	

Guy H. Nelson, labor	7 20	
Meric G. Arnold, moving Grange sign	40 00	
		$71 20

Jail Avenue:
Appropriation $300.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson	$295 63

Temporary Loans:

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank	$2000 00

Special Appropriation for Kitchen:
Appropriation $500.00

Roman Stanley, labor and lumber	$289 97	
Andrew J. Raymond, supplies	19 97	
Warren C. McCullough, painting	82 50	
W. H. Chase Lumber Co., lumber	54 81	
Howard R. Locke, electrical work	32 00	
Robert Smith, material	33 44	
W. H. Chase Lumber Co., lumber	6 66	
		$519 35

Road East Side of Baboosic Lake:

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent	$149 90
Town of Merrimack paid half of this bill .	

Repair of Bridge at Petersons:

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent	$109 60

Road at Camp Judea:
Appropriation $300.00

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road agent	$33 30

Expended:

Guy H. Nelson, road, agent, gravel

for Ted Underwood and Mrs. Lincoln		$291 90

Taxes Bought by Town:

Expended:

Hiram R. Elliott, tax collector		$312 27

Grader Fund:

Expended:

Refund from John Young 1945	$116 55	
Meric G. Arnold, use of grader	10 00	
Guy H. Nelson, use of grader	88 00	
	———	$214 55

Special Appropriation Town Roof:

Appropriation $150.00

Expended:

Ralph J. Sloan		$200 00

Refunds:

Expended:

Clarence H. Hagar, sexton	$20 00	
Vincent P. Brine	2 00	
Bert E. Berwick	2 00	
	———	$24 00

Legal Advice:

Expended:

C. Bradley Frost		$25 00

County Tax:

Appropriation $5497.80

Expended:

Treasurer Hillsborough County		$5497 80

Schools:

Appropriation $22,044.00

Expended:

Schools		$18,664 29
TOTAL PAYMENTS		$66,231 91

Amherst, N. H., January 15, 1947

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE HOWARD,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

DOG ACCOUNT

215 dogs licensed from Jan. 1, 1946 to Dec. 31, 1946

Dr.

166 male and spayed female dogs at $2.00 each	332 00	
1 male dog at $1.50	1 50	
5 male dogs at $1.00	5 00	
43 female dogs at $5.00 each	215 00	
3 kennel licenses at $12.00 each	36 00	
		$589 50

Cr.

Amt. paid town treas. during year	$546 10	
Commission for licensing dogs	43 40	
		$589 50

AUTOMOBILE ACCOUNT

Dr.

21 (1945) auto permits issued from Jan. 1, 1946 to Mar. 31, 1946	$30 32	
603 (1946) auto permits issued from Jan. 1, 1946 to Dec. 31, 1946	1738 84	
		$1769 16

Cr.

Amount paid town treas. during year	$1769 16

HORTON S. ALLEN,
Town Clerk.

Amherst, N. H., January 15, 1947

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Town Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER
for the year ending December 31, 1946

RECEIPTS

H. R. Elliott, Collector:	
1946 taxes	$46,437 00
1945 taxes	6,415 21
1943 taxes	141 28
1942 taxes	64 78
1941 taxes	92 61
1940 taxes	12 56
1939 taxes	16 43
1938 taxes	22 00
1944 redeemed taxes	57 86
1943 redeemed taxes	110 56
Soldiers' bonus tax	93 00
Interest	72
Horton S. Allen, Town Clerk:	
Auto permits	1769 16
Dog licenses	546 10
State Treasurer:	
Bounties-hedgehogs	22 50
Forest fires	32 92
Railroad fires	55 36
Tax on State land	15 60
Savings Bank tax	145 77
Railroad tax	29 93
Interest and Dividends tax	1762 93
Use of Grader:	
M. G. Arnold	10 00
Guy H. Nelson	50 00
Carl Merrill	18 00
Mrs. Gault	10 00
Richard Weston	6 00
Frank Martin	4 00
Use of Truck-Graveling:	
Mr. Gulick	46 20
Carl Merrill	6 00

L. Hayward	32 40
T. A. Underwood	192 30
A. L. Lincoln	99 60
Guy Nelson, San Vel Co.	109 60
Refund on Gravel, overdraft	16 50
Rebuilding road, Merrimack	91 45
Gifts-Cemetery Fund:	
Jennie Mumford	100 00
Maurice Merrill	200 00
Margery A. Gilmore	100 00
Alida E. Seaverns	100 00
Hannah M. Hartshorn, Estate	303 32
Mrs. Ella B. Brown	100 00
Vincent P. Brine	200 00
F. W. Sawyer, Estate	100 00
C. H. Hagar:	
Sale of Cemetery lots	97 50
Making lot over	20 00
Use of Greens	37 00
Property sold by Town:	
G. W. Grader property	148 16
Bezanson land	55 00
Alice Brown property	25 00
T. W. Lovejoy	50 00
Holster	2 00
2 boxes cartridges	2 42
Old snow plow	10 00
Quitclaim deed, G. Peterson	30 00
Quitclaim deed, M. Moser	35 00
Selectmen:	
Pistol permits	3 50
Bowling alley permits	15 00
A. L. Martin:	
Use of Fire truck	18 00
Aid to Milo Fisher fire	23 33
Overpaid Merrimack	32
Training 2 men 2 days	4 89
Trustees of Trust Fund, Fiske Highway Fund	37 96

Amherst Mens Club, Hall rent 1946	75 00
Souhegan Grange, Hall rent 1946	75 00
Dwight P. Brown, Hall rent	5 00
Town of Mont Vernon, School tax	151 31
Town of New Boston, School tax	218 04
School District, for stamps	2 00
Refund overpayment, A. J. Raymond	4 55
Souhegan National Bank, Town note	2000 00
Filing fees	10 00
Total Receipts	$62,895 63
Plus balance on hand Jan. 1, 1946	13,283 40
Total	76,179 03
Paid out by orders of the Selectmen	66,231 91
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1947	9,947 12

RECAPITULATION

Due Souhegan Bank and others, 6 serial notes $500 each	$3,000 00
Amherst School Dist. balance of app'n	10,000 00
Balance of Dog tax 1946	41 14
Total	$13,041 14

ASSETS

Due from State Treas. bounties for 1946	45 50
Due from H. R. Elliott, collector:	
Uncollected taxes, 1946	6449 84
Taxes bought by Town, not yet redeemed:	
1945	238 34
1944	137 17
1942	49 31
	6920 16
Plus Cash in Treasury Jan. 1, 1947	9947 12
Total Assets	$16,867 28
Assets exceed Liabilities by	$3826 14

Note: Amount $6,449.84 on page 27 should read $6,488.96, difference caused by tax check of $39.12 returned to Treasurer by bank; amount $6,277.96 on page 29 should read $6,284.96 caused by typographical error.

GRADER FUND

Bank Book No. 17015

Balance as previously reported	$867 34
Jan. 31, 1946, deposit	116 55
July 1, 1946, interest	7 23
Dec. 9, 1946, deposit	88 00
Dec. 31, 1946, deposit	10 00
Interest	7 43
Total amt. of Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1947	$1096 55

CATHERINE A. KRUGER,
Treasurer.

Amherst, N.H. ,January 25, 1947

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Town Auditors.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR
For Year Ending December 31, 1946

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
LEVY OF 1946

Dr.

Property taxes	$51,833 64	
Poll taxes	1,176 00	
		$53,009 64
Added taxes:		
Bank tax	$40 60	
Poll taxes	70 00	
Interest collected	2 76	
Summons charges collected	22 40	
		135 76
		$53,145 40

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property taxes	$45,367 24	
Bank tax	40 60	
Poll taxes	1004 00	
Summons charges	22 40	
Interest	2 76	
		$46,437 00
Abatements		219 44
Uncollected taxes per collector's list:		
Property	$6277 96	
Polls	204 00	
		6488 96
		$53,145 40

LEVY OF 1945

Dr.

January 1, 1946:		
To uncollected taxes	$6341 44	
To added taxes collected	21 00	

To interest collected	215 39	
To summons charges collected	15 60	
		$6593 43

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	$6508 93	
By abatements	84 50	
		$6593 43

LEVY OF 1943

Dr.

January 1, 1946:		
To uncollected taxes	$148 68	
To interest and summons charges uncollected	60	
		$149 28

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	$141 28	
By abatements	8 00	
		$149 28

LEVY OF 1942

Dr.

January 1, 1946:		
To uncollected taxes	$73 25	
To interest and summons charges collected	5 53	
		$78 78

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	$64 78	
By abatements	14 00	
		$78 78

LEVY OF 1941

Dr.

January 1, 1946:		
To uncollected taxes	$93 31	
To interest and summons charges collected	5 30	
		$98 61

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	$92 61	
By abatements	6 00	
	———	$98 61

LEVY OF 1940

Dr.

January 1, 1946:		
To uncollected taxes	$18 56	
To interest collected	2 00	
	———	$20 56

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	$12 56	
By abatements	8 00	
	———	$20 56

LEVY OF 1939

Dr.

January 1, 1946:		
To uncollected taxes	$15 83	
To interest collected	60	

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	$16 43

LEVY OF 1938

Dr.

January 1, 1946:	
To uncollected taxes	$22 00

Cr.

By remittances to treasurer	22 00

ABATEMENTS

From Levy of 1940	$ 8 00
From Levy of 1941	6 00
From Levy of 1942	14 00
From Levy of 1943	8 00
From Levy of 1945	84 50
From Levy of 1946	219 44

From taxes sold Town		9 49
		$349 43

(Itemized list on file in tax office)

REDEEMED TAXES

Dr.

To collected from 1943 list	$120 32	
To collected from 1944 list	42 62	
		$162 94
To interest collected		2 48
		$168 42
By remittances to treasurer		$168 42

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts as of Dec. 31, 1946

Dr.

	Tax Sales on account of levy:			
	1945	1944	1943	1942
Taxes sold the Town	247 83			
Balance of unredeemed taxes Jan. 1, 1946		188 01	158 08	49 31
Interest collected		65	4 83	
	247 83	188 66	162 91	49 31

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer		42 62	120 32	
Remittances to treas. interest		65	4 83	
Abatements	9 49			
Deeded Town		8 22	37 76	
Unredeemed at close of year	238 34	137 17		49 31
	247 83	188 66	162 91	49 31

Amherst, N. H., Jan. 25, 1947

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Town Auditors.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT
Guy H. Nelson

Appropriation	$5000 00	
Credit: Fiske Highway Fund	37 96	
	$5037 96	

Guy H. Nelson, foreman	$ 604 00
Guy H. Nelson, truck	724 80
William A. Hart, truck	195 65
Guy Bills, labor	499 80
Roland Goodwin, labor	340 90
Roy Wheeler, grader operator	482 70
Frank Bills, labor	352 10
Charles Duval, labor	261 10
John Young, labor	189 00
Richard Crocker, labor	32 55
Leon McDonald, labor	2 80
Charles Hall, labor	2 80
Koppers Co., oil	50 00
R. C. Hazelton Co., grader parts	431 30
Clark's Garage, gas and supplies	416 27
Fred Willard, mowing brush	121 50
Charles Pherson, labor and supplies	7 50
L. Gendron, welding	24 00
American Railway Express	3 48
Elliott & Willard, gravel	24 25
Socony Vacuum Co., oil	19 18
R. R. Hartford, bulldozer	25 00
Hume Pipe of N.E., Inc., pipe	33 60
Robert Courage, trucks	30 60
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, supplies	5 45
Oscar Somero, shovel	15 00
Oscar Somero, truck	6 00
Rossi Bros., stone	75 00
	$4976 33

Special Gravel

Appropriation	$7000 00	
Credits: Leonard Hayward	32 40	
Carl Merrill	6 00	
George Gulick	46 20	
Overdraft	16 50	
	$7101 10	
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		$336 60
Guy H. Nelson, truck		381 10
R. E. Webber, shovel		955 00
R. E. Webber, truck		802 20
Fred Willard, truck		422 40
Richard Ramig, truck		304 80
William A. Hart, truck		403 20
Everett Wheeler, trucks		757 20
Fred Tuttle, truck		242 40
Freeman Porter, truck		296 40
Robert Courage, truck		38 40
A. Steele, truck		110 60
George Blood, gravel		72 50
Everett Marshall, gravel		162 00
Roy Wheeler, grader operator		325 80
Guy Bills, labor		242 20
Frank Bills, labor		78 40
Charles Duval, labor		56 70
Richard Crocker, labor		93 10
Roland Goodwin, labor		117 60
Clark's Garage, gas		53 53
William E. Bedders, bulldozer		111 00
Richard Locke, gas		9 14
L. Fuller Estate, gravel		706 50
		$7078 77

Oiling

Appropriation	$2500 00	
O. F. Winslow, coldpatch		$652 85

Koppers Co., Inc., oil	1467 96
Roy Wheeler, grader operator	67 50
Guy Bills, labor	64 40
Frank Bills, labor	37 10
Roland Goodwin, labor	44 80
Charles Duval, labor	39 20
Richard Crocker, labor	3 50
William A. Hart, truck	102 00
Guy Nelson, truck	112 80
Elliott & Willard, gravel	18 00
Guy Nelson, foreman	69 60
	$2679 71

Snow

Appropriation	$4500 00	
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		$140 80
Guy H. Nelson, truck		389 20
Roy Wheeler, labor		90 00
Guy Bills, labor		73 50
Frank Bills, labor		124 60
John Young, labor		22 40
Charles Duval, labor		16 80
Roland Goodwin, labor		14 70
Carl Merrill, snow fence		5 00
Robert Weston, labor		43 40
William A. Hart, truck		239 50
Oliver Merrill, truck		267 08
Fred Willard, truck		26 00
R. C. Hazelton, blades		161 90
Charles Pherson, repairs		8 50
L. Gendron, welding and labor		98 50
Clark's Garage		15 00
Ray Road Equipment, snow fence		65 00
Ernest Gagnon, parts		8 50
American Railway Express		6 30
Milford Machine Works, supplies		6 59
Independent Machine Co., sander parts		18 00

Ralph Plummer, labor		1 40
Charles Hall, labor		45 50
Richard Crocker, labor		16 80
Theodore Underwood, truck		182 00
Reginald Going, labor		8 40
Stacy Murray, labor		19 60
William Long, labor		3 50
N. H. Explosive Co., plow parts		25 50
A. J. Raymond, paint		6 81
Guy H. Nelson, tractor		12 00
Lyon Iron Works		44 00
		$2206 78

Dump

Appropriation	$75 00	
William E. Bedders, bulldozer		$40 00
Cabinet Press, signs		5 00
James H. Fay, bulldozer		10 00
Charles Duval, labor		2 80
Guy H. Nelson, truck		8 00
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		6 40
		$72 20

Jail Avenue

Appropriation	$300 00	
Oscar Somero, shovel		$30 00
Oscar Somero, truck		12 00
Robert Courage, trucks		22 80
William A. Hart, truck		12 40
Guy H. Nelson, truck		12 00
Guy Bills, labor		7 00
Frank Bills, labor		5 60
Roy Wheeler, grader operator		9 00
Charles Duval, labor		2 10
Roland Goodwin, labor		3 50
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		8 00
A. L. Martin, gravel		12 00
Koppers Co., Inc., oil		147 23

O. F. Winslow Co., rental of roller	12 00
	$295 63

General Expense

Appropriation	$300 00	
A. L. Keyes Agency, insurance on grader		$51 15
A. J. Raymond, supplies		25 63
Brown & Saltmarsh Inc., supplies		5 20
Guy H. Nelson, toll calls		8 80
Souhegan National Bank, check book		2 40
		$93 18

East Side Baboosic

Credit: from Town of Merrimack	$91 45	
William E. Bedders, bulldozer		$102 00
Roy Wheeler, grader operator		9 90
Frank Bills, labor		7 00
Guy Bills, labor		7 00
Guy H. Nelson, truck		14 40
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		9 60
		$149 90
Credit as above		91 45
Balance paid by Town		$48 45

Peterson Bridge

Credit: Savil Construction Co.,	$109 60	
Oscar Somero, shovel		$15 00
Robert Courage, truck		10 80
William A. Hart, truck		4 20
Guy Bills, labor		2 80
Roland Goodwin, labor		2 80
Guy H. Nelson, labor and truck		16 00
Rossi Bros., stone		48 00
O. F. Winslow, coldpatch		10 00
		$109 60

Camp Judea Road

John Young, labor		$7 20
Frank Bills, labor		9 10
Guy H. Nelson, truck		6 00
Roland Goodwin, labor		3 50
Guy Bills, labor		3 50
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		4 00
		$33 30

Driveways

Credit: Theodore Underwood	$192 30	
Alfred Lincoln	99 60	
	$291 90	
R. E. Webber, shovel		$65 00
R. E. Webber, truck		54 60
Fred Willard, truck		28 80
Richard Ramig, truck		24 00
Freeman Porter, truck		7 20
Fred Tuttle, truck		7 20
William A. Hart, truck		28 80
Guy H. Nelson, truck		31 20
A. Steele, truck		7 20
Richard Crocker, labor		8 40
Guy H. Nelson, foreman		13 00
L. Fuller Estate, gravel		16 50
		$291 90

Amherst, N. H., Jan. 24, 1947

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Auditors.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT
Fred H. Willard

SNOW

Appropriation	$4500 00	
Amount expended	3977 82	
Balance	$ 522 18	
Fred H. Willard, truck		$887 15
Oliver Merrill, truck		799 30
Theodore Underwood, truck		465 00
William Hart, truck		877 65
Fred H. Willard, foreman		5 60
Frank Bills, labor		182 00
Arthur Underwood, labor		102 55
Richard Sherman, labor		18 55
Ralph Odell, labor		5 60
Reginald Going, labor		4 20
Norman Page, labor		4 20
Roland Goodale, labor		12 60
Fred Hubbard, labor		7 70
Joseph Gouett, labor		30 80
Richard Weston, labor		11 20
Roland Goodwin, labor		155 40
Raymond Roby, labor		6 30
Robert Weston, labor		153 30
Guy Nelson, tractor		45 00
Donald Dunklee, labor		18 50
Earl Hall, labor		25 55
Meric Arnold, labor		24 40
Charles Hall, labor		11 55
Joseph Sappier, labor		4 90
Lawrence Gendron, welding		14 00
Robert Gerard, labor		1 35
Ernest Peaslee, labor		10 85
Lewis Hayward, labor		17 85
Walter Weston, labor		7 35

H. A. Arnold, labor	3 85
Bessie Balch, sand	1 20
Joseph Holland, labor	5 60
Charles Duval, labor	5 60
R. G. Sherman, labor	3 50
A. Olsen, labor	3 50
H. R. Renshaw, labor	3 50
R. C. Hazelton, parts	40 67
	$3977 82

GRADER FUND

Received from rental of grader	$116 55

Amherst, N. H., January 28, 1947

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT — AMHERST LIBRARY

RECEIPTS

Jan. 1, 1946, balance in bank	$ 91 01
Appropriation	800 00
Appropriation for roof	100 00
From Trust Funds	220 00
Fines and sale of books	109 15
	$1320 16

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$271 00
Books and magazines	421 58
Lights	21 60
Fuel	70 00
Care of house and grounds	277 81
Supplies	26 40
Upkeep and miscellaneous	7 10
Jan. 1, 1947 balance in bank	224 67
	$1320 16

Respectfully submitted,
LAWRENCE E. CLARK,
Treasurer.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Town Auditors.

Jan. 20, 1947.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The library has added 59 new patrons during 1946. These of course are offset by loss of patrons who have moved away. It is gratifying to have so many newcomers to Amherst use or visit the library. The hours will continue to be Tuesday 2:00 to 5:00 and Friday 2:00 to 5:00 and 6:30 to 8:30.

Total circulation has been as follows:

Adult fiction	3632	Juvenile fiction	1666
Non-fiction	856	Non-fiction	184
Magazines	1475	Magazine	170

A plan for leaving a deposit of books to supplement reading material at the Clark School and fifth and sixth grade room, has been inaugurated.

Gifts of books, magazines or money have been given by Mrs. Bean, Miss Spaulding, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Winey, Mr. Paul Elliot, Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Eastman, Mr. Tracy, Mr. Rotch, Mrs. Cote and friends in memory of Mrs. Spaulding.

Books added to library by purchase amounted to 245 and 213 books have been discarded.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET MOSER,

Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST, N. H.
For the Year Ending December 31, 1946

On hand January 1, 1946	$ 681 79
Accrued interest Souhegan Sav. Bank	131 54
Accrued interest Nashua Trust Co.	21 05
Accrued interest Wilton Sav. Bank	284 20
Accrued interest Manchester Sav. Bank	373 95
Total interest received in 1946	1416 36
	$2908 89

RECAPITULATION

Balance on hand (checking account)	$ 772 70
Accrued interest Souhegan Sav. Bank	163 62
Accrued interest Nashua Trust Co.	13 87
Accrued interest Wilton Sav. Bank	313 42
Accrued interest Manchester Sav. Bank	433 65
Total amount paid out during 1946	1211 63
	$2908 89

PAULINE M. CLARK,
HAROLD H. WILKINS,
ROY W. DAVIS,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

Amherst, N. H., January 20, 1947

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF AMHERST, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1946.

Name of Fund	How Invested	Principal	Bal. Income Jan. 1, 1946	Income During Year	Expended	Balance on Hand
Amal. Cemetery No. 1	Amoskeag Savings Bank	$ 375 00				
	U. S. Bonds	8,500 00				
Amal. Cemetery No.2	U. S. Bonds	2,000 00				
Amal. Cemetery No. 3	U. S. Bonds	3,000 00				
	Souhegan Bank Savings Dept.	1,035 00				
Amal. Cemetery No. 4	U. S. Bonds	5,000 00				
	Manchester Savings Bank	6,150 00	$681 79	$ 636 72	$ 545 81	$ 772 70
David Fiske Cemetery Fund	U. S. Bonds	1,000 00		25 00	25 00	
Parker Cemetery & Library Fund	U. S. Bonds	1,000 00	(cemetery)	5 00	5 00	
			(library)	20 00	20 00	
Special Cemetery Fund	Souhegan Bank Savings Dept.	2,000 00	131 54	32 08		163 62
Fiske Highway Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	1,500 00		37 96	37 96	
Spalding School Fund	U. S. Bonds	8,500 00		220 02	220 02	
	N. H. Savings Bank	375 00				
Nutt School Fund	N. H. Savings Bank	5,000 00		100 34	100 34	
Aaron Lawrence School Fund	U. S. Bonds	1,500 00		37 50	37 50	
Miss Lawrence School Fund	U. S. Bonds	500 00	21 05	12 82	20 00	13 87
French Library Fund	U. S. Bonds	1,000 00		25 00	25 00	
E. L. Clark Library Fund	U. S. Bonds	500 00		12 50	12 50	
George George Library Fund	U. S. Bonds	500 00		12 50	12 50	
James Day Library Fund	U. S. Bonds	6,000 00		150 00	150 00	
George Putnam Cemetery Fund	U. S. Bonds	1,000 00	284 20	29 22		313 42
Alice Wilkins Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	2,000 00	373 95	59 70		433 65
		$58,435 00	$1492 53	$1416 36	$1211 63	$1697 26

Received during year for care of cemetery lots:

Vincent P. Brine	$200.00	Ellen E. Brown	100.00
Jennie Mumford	100.00	Hannah M. Hartshorn Est.	300.00
Maurice C. Merrill	200.00	(plus int. $3.32)	
Margery A. Gilmore	100.00	F. W. Sawyer Est. (Lovejoy lot)	100.00
Alida E. Seaverns	100.00		

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS,
By Pauline M. Clark, Treasurer.

AMHERST WORLD WAR II HONOR ROLL

IN MEMORIAM

Russell Alger Bradford
Frank Edward Long
Lewis Arthur Miles
Bruce Coleman Sullivan

Anderson, Royal Lester, Jr.
Arnold, Richard Andrew
Austin, Allbert H., Jr.
Austin, Allborn M.
Balch, Robert P.
Barrebeau, Leon Albert
Bartlett, John Eldredge
Bartlett, Ralph Elgin
Bates, Frank Clifford III
Benson, Robert G.
Bills, Arthur Howard
Bliss, George W.
Boardman, Robert C.
Bonney, Arthur P., Jr.
Carter, Harry Bennett, Jr.
Caswell, Richard Allen
Charron, Arthur George, Jr.
Charron, Maynard Hall
Converse, Howard Wentworth
Cox, Ralph J.
Crocker, Richard Sears
Cummings, William J.
Currier, Philip Joseph
Currier, Prescott Hunt
Davis, Robert Cowles
Davis, Henry Alfred
Dean, Justin Page
Dean, Vernice Ernest
Douglass, Clarence G., Jr.
Duguie, Edmund Manning
Duval, Francis Gordon
Fallon, Donald Joseph
Fields, Wesley
Fletcher, Everett M.
Folson, Charles Edward
Frost, James Stillman
Goodale, William Taft
Grant, Donald C.
Grassett, George Charles
Grassett, Kenneth William
Hall, Ross E.
Hall, William Vernon Crocker
Hancock, Robert H.
Hanson, Clarence Albert
Hare, Joseph Wilbur
Heinonen, Andrew Eero
Heinonen, Aarne Charles
Holmes, Philip B.
Howard, George Herbert
Ingram, Albert Edward
Ingram, Alexander Martin
Jolly, Raymond Louis
Kimball, George Warren
Kirby, Frank E.
Kruger, Randolph Louis
Lamprey, Theodore B.
LaRue, Raymond Leo
Liljeberg, Armas Rafael
Liljeberg, John
Locke, Edwin Ford
Locke, Howard R., Jr.
Loiselle, Francis Milton
Long, Harold Carl
Long, Howard E.
Lees, Gladys A.
MacArthur, Donald R.
McCullough, Vernola Winifred
Malone, Thomas Henry
Martin, Charles E.
Martin, Frank Ashton

Merrill, Carl Sumner
Miles, Hibbert Vaughn
Miller, Earl Wesley
Neugebauer, Otto Karl
Nichols, Ernest E.
Nichols, Lawrence E.
Nichols, Lawrence Ray
O'Connell, David Francis, Jr.
Odell, Ralph Herbert
Olson, John E.
Parker, Edwin S.
Parker, Willard Howard
Patch, Ralph Leo
Peach, Harry W.
Peach, Kenneth Wetherbee
Perkins, Ernest Fletcher
Phinney, Ernest E.
Pratt, Harold P., Jr.
Putnam, Albert L.
Raymond, Robert A.
Roberts, Wolffe
Roby, Raymond Leon
Roy, Robert Luceion
Salisbury, Charles Henry
Signor, Perley M., Jr.
Silveri, Dante
Silveri, Marco
Silveri, Italo Gussippi
Smith, Philip Oren
Spillman, Marjorie Ann
Stanley, Roman Chester
Stevens, Joseph Ormand
Stockwell, Donald MacArthur
Tibbetts, William J.
Tucker, Arnold W.
Tucker, Earl Russell
Tuttle, David Ernest
Tuttle, William Hodgen, Jr.
Underwood, Roger Leslie
Underwood, Theodore Arthur
VanLunen, Lloyd M.
Warren, Samuel B.
Warren, Wallace Flagg
Weston, Gladys
Weston, Robert Thomas
Wheeler, Leroy Oliver
Wyles, Glendon E.
Wilson, John R.
Wilson, Willis Henry
Woollett, Charles Marcus
Worcester, Edson C.
Worcester, Franklin B.
Young, Donald Oliver
Young, Maurice Edwin

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board	Term Expires
Mr. Charles F. Prior, Chairman	1948
Mr. Arthur L. Underwood	1947
Mr. Cevie M. Weston	1949

Harold C. Bowley	Superintendent
Mrs. Catherine Kruger	Treasurer
Harold H. Wilkins, Jr. H. S. ALLEN	Moderator
Oscar Burns, M. D.	School Physician
Esther E. McCormick, R. N.	School Nurse
Arthur L. Underwood	Truant Officer
Mrs. Catherine A. Kruger	Clerk

SUGGESTED SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1947-1948

Begin	End
September 3, 1947	December 19, 1947
January 5, 1948	February 20, 1948
March 1, 1948	April 23, 1948
May 3, 1948	June—to be determined

Holidays: Oct. 13, Nov. 11, 27-28, 1947; May 31,1948

Warrant for Annual School Meeting
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Amherst, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 11th day of March 1947, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of the public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the districts, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see how much money the district will raise and appropriate for insurance on school property.

10. To see how much money the district will raise and appropriate for special repairs and alterations of school property and for new equipment.

11. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 6th day of February 1947.

CEVIE M. WESTON,
A. L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board.

BUDGET
July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948

A. Amount Required for Support of Schools:

	Voted March 1946 for 1946-1947	Proposed Mar. 1947 for 1947-1948
Teachers' salaries	$14,000 00	$19,500 00
Textbooks	250 00	375 00
Scholars' supplies	350 00	525 00
Flags and Appurtenances	25 00	25 00
Other expenses of instruction	225 00	275 00
Janitor service	1,300 00	1,200 00
Fuel	600 00	650 00
Water, light & janitors' supplies	250 00	275 00
Minor repairs and expenses	250 00	300 00
Health supervision	175 00	175 00
Transportation of pupils	3,500 00	3,500 00
Payment of elementary tuitions	000 00	000 00
Other special activities	75 00	75 00
	$21,000 00	$26,875 00

B. Amount Required for Statutory and Other Requirements:

Salaries of district officers	$ 212 00	$ 212 00
Truant officer & school census	50 00	50 00
Supt.'s excess salary	357 00	357 00
Per capita tax	372 00	416 00
Assessment for Teacher Retirement	198 00	310 00
Expenses of administration	250 00	300 00
	$ 1,439 00	$ 1,645 00
Total Amount Required	$22,439 00	$28,520 00

C. Estimated Income of District:

Balance June 30, 1947	$ 000 00	$ 000 00
State Aid	837 00	800 00

Dog tax	200 00	200 00
Income from trust funds	250 00	300 00
High School tuition receipts	000 00	000 00
Elementary School tuition receipts	288 00	400 00
Other estimated income	000 000	000 00
	$ 1,575 00	$ 1,700 00
Assessment required	$20,864 00	$26,820 00
Special Appropriation Proposed:		
Deficiency appropriation	$ 000 00	$ 2,500 00
Insurance	180 00	190 00
Bulkhead	000 00	300 00
High school roof	000 00	700 00
New equipment (maps, typewriters)	1,000 00	300 00
	$22,044 00	$30,810 00

SUMMARY
1946-1947

A	$21,000 00
B	1,439 00
	$22,439 00
Less C	1,575 00
	$20,864 00
Insurance	180 00
New equipment	1,000 00
Assessment required to balance budget	$22,044 00

1947-1948

A	$26,875 00
B	1,645 00
	$28,520 00
Less C	1,700 00
	$26,820 00
Deficiency appropriation	2,500 00
Insurance	190 00
Bulkhead	300 00
High school roof	700 00
New equipment (maps, typewriters)	300 00
Assessment required to balance budget	$30,810 00

CEVIE M. WESTON,
A. L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD

(For Fiscal Year July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946)

Total Receipts	$20,240 92
Total Payments	19,272 62
Cash balance June 30, 1946	$ 968 30

RECEIPTS IN DETAIL

From State:		
Equalization fund (state aid)		$ 911 15
From Selectmen Raised by Taxation:		
By appropriation voted March, 1945		16,209 00
From Sources Other Than Taxation:		
Dog licenses	$620 29	
Elementary school tuitions	307 15	
High school tuitions	93 75	
Income from local trust funds	371 58	
Other receipts	1 50	
		1,394 27
Total Receipts from all sources		$18,514 42
Cash on hand July 1, 1945		1,726 50
GRAND TOTAL		$20,240 92

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from all State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Amherst, New Hampshire, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Auditors.

July 13, 1946.

REPORT OF TREASURER
(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946)

C. KRUGER, Treasurer,
In account with the School District of Amherst

	Dr.	
Balance as per last report		$ 1,726 50
Board of Selectmen:		
Appropriation as of March 1945		16,209 00
Dog tax		620 29
Income from trust funds		371 58
From State:		
State Aid for Vocational Education		911 15
From Other Sources:		
Other receipts		402 40
		$20,240 92
	Cr.	
Payments on order of School Boar d		$19,272 62
Cash on hand June 30, 1946		968 30
		$20,240 92

July 8, 1946.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE
(Required by the State Board of Education from all State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Amherst, New Hampshire, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, and find them correct in all respects.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,
GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Auditors.

July 13, 1946.

ABSTRACT OF REPORT OF CLERK TO STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL BOARD, AND SELECTMEN

District Revenue Voted March 12, 1946, for School Year 1946-1947

Amounts appropriated for:	
Support of high school	$ 6,007 50
Support of elementary schools	13,492 50
Salaries of district officers	212 00
Truant officer and school census	50 00
Superintendent's excess salary	357 00
$2 per capita tax for supervision	372 00
Administration and retirement	448 00
Specials:	
Insurance	180 00
Commercial Course	2,500 00
Amount of School Board's Budget and Specials	$23,619 00
Less estimated income	1,575 00
Amount to be raised by taxation for budget and appropriations	$22,044 00

CATHERINE KRUGER,
Clerk of School District.

March 12, 1946.

PAYMENTS
July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946

(Classification and numbering conform to state accounting system required in state-aided districts.)

Administration:		
1. Salaries of district officers	$212 00	
2. Superintendent's excess salary	379 85	
3. Truant officer and school census	50 00	
4. Expenses of administration	394 55	
		$ 1,036 40
Instruction:		
5. Teachers' salaries	$11,938 46	
6. Textbooks	269 15	
7. Scholars' supplies	302 95	
8. Flags and appurtenances	7 20	
9. Other expenses of instruction	163 12	
		12,680 88
Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:		
10. Janitor service	$741 00	
11. Fuel	579 04	
12. Water, light and janitor's supplies	295 50	
13. Minor repairs and expenses	72 05	
		1,687 59
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:		
14. Medical inspection	$ 187 63	
15. Transportation of pupils	3000 00	
16. High school and academy tuition	000 00	
17. Elementary school tuition	000 00	
18. Other special activities	66 12	
		3,253 75
Fixed Charges:		
19. Tax for state wide supervision	$378 00	

20. Insurance and other fixed charges	000 00	
		378 00
Outlay for Construction and Equipment:		
23. New equipment		2 00
Special:		
27. Special		234 00
Total Payments		$19,272 62

Expenditures Distributed as Follows:

General expenses	$ 1,650 40	
For support of high school	6,841 84	
For support of elem. schools	10,780 38	
		$19,272 62

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL
July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946

1. Salaries of District Officers:

~~Mrs. Catherine Kruger, school board~~	$12 ~~50~~	
Charles F. Prior, school board	50 00	
Arthur Underwood, school board	50 00	
Cevie Weston, school board	50 00	
Mrs. Catherine Kruger, clerk	4 00	
Z. B. Kemp, treasurer	35 00	
Mrs. Catherine Kruger, treasurer	~~2 50~~ 15,00	
Horton S. Allen, moderator	4 00	
Orson Bragdon, auditor	2 00	
George Howard, auditor	2 00	
	———	$212 00

2. Superintendent's Salary Account:

Raymond A. Dyer, Treas. Union No. 40, acct. of H. C. Bowley	$357 00	
State Employee's Retirement Tax	22 85	
	———	$379 85

3. Truant Officer and School Census:

Clarence Hagar, truant officer	$8 00	
Arthur L. Underwood, truant officer	17 00	
Cevie M. Weston, census enumerator	25 00	
	———	$50 00

4. Expenses of Administration:

Town of Amherst, stamps	$ 2 00	
Harold C. Bowley, tel. tolls	38 58	
Cabinet Press, printing and notices	13 55	
Raymond A. Dyer, treas. Union exp.	240 00	
E. C. Eastman Co., supplies	7 17	
Robert Googins, office expenses	1 15	
J. L. Hammett Co., diplomas	4 46	
Carl Larson, trans. case	1 04	
Est. of James P. Melzer, enum. cards	1 75	

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., service	46 70	
A. H. Rice & Co., trans. case	1 00	
Frederick A. Small, adm. expenses	37 15	
		$394 55

5. Teachers' Salaries:

Robert Bedell	$1800 00	
Charlotte A. Boutelle	1412 15	
Robert Googins	425 00	
Virginia Marshall	518 34	
Mary McGee	1101 35	
Evelyn Neugebaur	787 00	
Bertha Piper	1600 00	
Miriam Roby	1600 00	
Frederick Small	1800 00	
Elsie Wheeler	300 00	
Florence Addison	12 00	
Catherine Hammond	14 00	
Virginia Judy	7 77	
Gladys Larson	180 00	
Margaret Moser	3 50	
Harriet Perkins	77 70	
Charles Tracy	105 00	
Mildred Walker	155 55	
Teachers' Retirement Board	27 10	
		$11,938 46*

*This amount includes deductions for Blue Cross and Blue Shield, $97.50; and tax, $1,145.84.

6. Textbooks:

Allyn and Bacon	$ 9 96
American Book Company	30 36
Benton Review Publishing Co.	3 44
Ginn and Company	82 22
The Gregg Publishing Co.	2 55
D. C. Heath and Company	1 45
Houghton Mifflin Company	11 52
J. B. Lippincott Company	1 50
The Macmillan Co.	37 42

Row, Peterson and Co.	2 92	
Scott, Foresman and Co.	38 55	
Silver Burdett Co.	3 30	
L. W. Singer Company	2 59	
Southwestern Publishing Co.	30 00	
O. H. Toothaker	1 80	
D. Van Nostrand Co.	3 40	
John C. Winston Co.	6 17	
	------	$269 15

7. Scholars' Supplies:

Allyn and Bacon	$ 7 50	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	49 15	
Civic Education Service	20 60	
Gledhill Brothers	60 20	
J. L. Hammett Co.	68 29	
Henry Holt and Co.	6 22	
Carl Larson	3 36	
Life	3 37	
John R. Martin Division	3 50	
McCormack-Mathers Publishing Co.	2 92	
Charles Merrill	9 67	
Milford School District	13 88	
News Map of the Week	16 33	
Row, Peterson & Co.	25 71	
Southwestern Publishing Co.	12 25	
	-------	$302 95

8. Flags and Appurtenances:

County Stores, flags	$7 20

9. Other Expenses of Instruction:

The Cabinet Press, report cards	$ 10 40	
Morris L. Courage, World Almanacs	2 80	
Gledhill Brothers, Inc., Hektograph films	7 30	
J. L. Hammett Co., diplomas	3 42	
Catherine E. Hammond, lipreading	126 00	
D. C. Heath & Co., ref. book	1 00	

Houghton Mifflin Co., tests	5 76	
O. H. Toothaker, reference book	1 85	
Visual Education Ser., Inc., films	4 59	
		$163 12

10. Janitor Service:

James H. Phelps, Village and Clark Schools	$729 60	
Collector of Internal Revenue	2 40	
Raymond A. Dyer, Treas., Blue Cross	9 00	
		$741 00

11. Fuel:

Frank Hartshorn Co.	$ 9 50	
Milford Grain and Coal Co.	397 62	
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	171 92	
		$579 04

12. Water, Light and Janitor Supplies:

M. F. Bragdon Paint Co., brushes	$ 17 36	
Cascade Paper Co., paper towels	26 25	
John S. Cheever Co., paper towels	20 15	
C. B. Dolge Co., deodorant comp.	4 64	
Emerson & Son, brushes and mops	12 50	
Masury-Young Co., supplies	50 91	
James H. Phelps, window cord	40	
Profile Products Co., window cleaner	2 00	
Public Service Co. of N. H., service	100 00	
Raymond's, supplies	4 65	
Waxine Co., sweeping compound	3 96	
West Disinfecting Co., supplies	52 68	
		$295 50

13. Minor Repairs and Expenses:

The County Stores, Inc., brass knobs	$ 2 80
Clarence H. Hagar, mower sharpened	1 75
E. Miles, mowing ball field	4 00
Gustave Peterson, repairs	8 50
Howard K. Sherman, tuning pianos	8 00

Newton Stockwell, felling trees	35 00	
Arthur L. Underwood, removing ashes	12 00	
		$72 05

14. Medical Inspection:

Dr. Oscar Burns, med. inspection	$87 50	
Raymond A. Dyer, med. supplies	7 63	
Milford Red Cross, nurse service, supplies	87 50	
Mrs. James Phelps, med. supervision	5 00	
		$187 63

15. Transportation:

Malcolm D. Clark	$3000 00

18. Other Special Activities:

Amherst T. E. A., reimbursement equipment	$25 00	
The County Stores, bench supports	3 42	
William M. Falconer, lumber for benches	6 50	
Hall and McCreary, song books	16 20	
Cevie M. Weston, Laurence prize money	15 00	
		$66 12

19. Tax for State-Wide Supervision:

State Treasurer, $2 per capita tax	$378 00

23. New Equipment:

News Map of the week, No. 101 mounting bar	$2 00

27. Special:

Warren McCullough, interior painting	$134 00	
W .H. Tibbetts, painting Clark School	100 00	
		$234 00
Total Payments		$19,272 62

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire (Commissioner's Report 1941), and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

CHARLES F. PRIOR,
CEVIE M. WESTON,
A. L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board.

Harold C. Bowley, Superintendent.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Amherst:

I herewith present my eighth annual report, the twenty-eighth in the series. I present three topics for your consideration; Teachers, Accomplishments, Suggestions.

Teachers

As the list of teachers is presented elsewhere, I will call your attention only to the changes since our last report. About a year ago, Mrs. Neugebauer resigned because of ill health and was succeeded by Mrs. Virginia Marshall of Milford. Mr. Bedell could not offer the subjects required and Mr. Richard Grodin of Lyndeboro was employed in his stead. Miss Marion Macklin from Massachusetts was obtained to fill the new Commercial position. Early this Fall, Mrs. Marshall had to leave, and Mrs. Eva B. Gagnon of Milford took over her work. This change occurred during the period of deliberation over the heavy enrollment in Grades I and II. Prior to opening in September, there were only nine first graders enrolled, but twenty-five came to school the first week, and extras had come to town for the second grade. After watching the situation for a month, it was decided to hire a part-time teacher to assist with the work of Grades I and II, and send home the first grade afternoons. Mrs. Gladys Larson consented to become the assistant. Then after due trial of this procedure, it became apparent that full-time service was needed; and Mrs. Larson was finally persuaded to continue on as full-time teacher. I regret that so many changes have been necessary with these small children, but feel that we did the best we could under the unusual conditions. Next year we anticipate a single first grade, single second grade, combined third and fourth grades for the Clark School.

Salaries are again of major importance. I again urge you to increase them to as high a point as you possibly can. Without adequate increases, we will have difficulties in securing teachers and keeping all departments in operation. I have presented a plan calling for salaries ranging from $1,800 to $2,400 for teachers with bachelor's degrees; more for master's and less with less preparation. I hope that plan or a better one will be used as a basis for employment next year and will insure an adequate staff.

There are a few points I wish to discuss relative to the employment of teachers. They are the barriers I must face and argue against as I interview teachers to go to smaller towns. First, the salary is inclined to be low in comparison with a larger town or a city. Second, living conditions for board and room might not compare with that to which the candidates are accustomed. This might be extended to include the lack of movies and other recreational pursuits. Third, the schools are organized with more than one grade to a teacher. Fourth, candidates have heard that people in the smaller towns are very critical of teachers, often to the extent of verbal abuse and social isolation. All of these factors contribute to my difficulties. Possibly they point to the salary scale—that it ought to be higher than the city or larger town in order to attract people and overcome these handicaps mentioned above. Surely, everyone can examine his part in the affairs of the town and see if there is something he can do to correct the difficulty.

Accomplishments

I trust more stable conditions will soon prevail so that more time can be devoted to this subject. I desire to continue a testing program to determine educational possibilities as well as educational accomplishments. Without the benefit of this material, teachers feel handicapped in their work. We now have some test

material at hand ready to use in the next two or three months.

A study of pupil promotions, and the difficulties encountered, is interesting. The five towns of this Union are listed below by number only.

Town	Promoted to Next Grade	Trial Promotions	Not Promoted
1	89.8%	6.4%	3.8%
2	94.2%	2.5%	3.3%
3	69.4%	16.0%	14.6%
4	89.4%	8.0%	2.6%
5	75.8%	8.0%	16.2%

The above refers to pupils in the first eight grades, and shows the numbers in percent promoted, trial promotions and not promoted. Your town is number three on the list and represents the most difficult problem in this Union. More than 30% of these children had difficulty last year in meeting the standards for their grades. About half of this group were allowed to go on to the next grade and the other half retained in the same grade. The greater part of these children came from Grades I and II, as is usual, but where so many teacher changes took place. The adjustment still continues and we hope these children may recover and advance normally during the rest of their school careers.

I am very proud to report about the Rural School Day Radio Program last October. Teachers and pupils made up a very good program about improvements in Amherst schools and presented them over the air from a Manchester station. Pupils from the second, fourth, eighth and twelfth grades were interviewed by Headmaster Small. We had some very favorable comments about their efforts.

Suggestions

I trust you will examine carefully the other reports in this book.

My suggestions are mainly brief. I hope that the district will appoint a Survey Committee to act jointly with the School Board on school problems that concern Amherst. The population changes have been so numerous, it has been extremely difficult for a small group to estimate the needs for very long in advance. The high school roof needs to be shingled. Two contractors have already seen the roof and advise that the work should be done.

I am very grateful to all who have assisted the school in meeting its goals, especially to the School Board and the teachers.

Very respectfully,
HAROLD C. BOWLEY,
Superintendent of Schools.

February 10, 1947.

STATISTICS FOR 1945-1946

Average number of half-days in session	352
Whole number of different pupils registered:	
Girls 93; Boys 100; Total	193
Enrollments by grades:	
I-20; II-16; III-23; IV-17; V-25; VI-15; VII-22; VIII-17; IX-18; X-9; XI-8; XII-3;	
Total	193
Average daily attendance in high school for year	33.92
Average daily attendance in elementary schools	125.56
Per cent of attendance in all schools for year	89.94
Number of cases of tardiness in all schools (last year: 152)	105
Number not absent nor tardy during school year	2
Number of visits made to schools by:	
School Board Members	18
Superintendent of Schools	137
Citizens	63
Number of School Board meetings held	13

Perfect Attendance for School Year — 1945-1946

Orson Bragdon Robert Hayward

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES—JUNE 1946

Pauline Long Ruth Long

Donald E. Troop

PUPILS COMPLETING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL—JUNE 1946

Harold Armstrong	Robert Kruger
Clara Davis	Barbara Martin
Joan Ferretti	Phyllis Miles
Charlotte Fowle	Justin Pestana
James Gore	Edith Signor
Gordon Hayward	Theresa Sliney

RETURN OF SCHOOL CENSUS SEPTEMBER 1946

Mrs. Cevie M. Weston, Enumerator

Number of boys enumerated 5 to 16	99
Number of girls enumerated 5 to 16	105
Total enumerated 5 to 16	204
Number 5 to 8 not in school	11
Number 8 to 14 not in school	1
Number 14 to 16 not in school	1
Number 5 to 16 registered in Amherst schools September 30, 1946	179
Number over 16 registered in Amherst schools September 30, 1946	16
Number 5 to 16 attending school outside Amherst	12
Number 5 to 16 who live in other towns attending Amherst schools	0

REPORT OF HEADMASTER

To the Superintendent of Schools, the Members of the Amherst School Board, and the Citizens of the town of Amherst:

Herewith is submitted the annual report of Amherst High School and Village School, grades seven and eight.

Registration figures February 1, 1947, were: post graduate, 1; grade 12, 9; grade 11, 7; grade 10, 15; grade 9, 10; grade 8, 19; and grade 7, 15. These figures represent an increase over the last two years. Elementary school figures show greater increases. If the present trend continues, the town may well face the problem of insufficient housing at all grade levels—a problem already markedly in evidence at Clark School and apparent to an appreciable degree in grades five and six.

Subjects offered this year in the high school by courses are: *Academic,* offering: English, French 1, French 2, civics, biology, Latin 2, United States History and advanced mathematics; *General,* offering: English, general mathematics, civics, French 1, French 2, algebra, biology, United States History, bookkeeping and advanced mathematics; *Commercial,* offering: English, general mathematics, civics, French 1, biology, typewriting 1, typewriting 1 and stenography, personal typewriting, bookkeeping, and United States History. The seventh grade teaches English, history, geography and arithmetic; the eighth grade—English, history, science and arithmetic. Music, choral singing, occurs one period a week for all seventh and eighth graders and is elective for the high school pupils.

I believe that we have accomplished much that is of value in the past year. Our commercial course is functioning very well and is a real addition to the curriculum. A great deal of credit for the success of the course belongs to Miss Marion Macklin who instructs in the commercial subjects. French has been reestablished in the curriculum of the high school. French 1 and French 2 are offered this year. Mr. Richard Grodin instructs in French and in English. The results obtained in these subjects are gratifying indeed and are in large measure due, I am sure, to Mr. Grodin's competent tutelage. Miss Miriam Roby instructs in science and mathematics; Miss Bertha Piper, social

science and Latin. Their excellent work in their respective fields of instruction contribute immeasurably toward the better *development of the pupil in his entire personality,* which, after all, is the prime aim of public education.

It is your Headmaster's sincere belief that Amherst has a *good* school system. A pupil who maintains a fair scholastic average through the twelfth year in Amherst High School need not fear for his academic prowess in competition with pupils from other schools. He will have obtained more than sufficient background to hold his own. Amherst High School need make no apologies. Its course of study, its teaching staff and its pupil-product will compare favorably with other school units in any overall comparison.

In the extra-curriculum: Amherst is founder of the Southern New Hampshire League which at present includes school participants from Amherst, Hollis, Troy, Merrimack, Hudson, New Boston, Antrim and Hancock. Baseball and basketball are for the boys; softball and basketball for the girls.

The school annex has been entirely renovated and is ready for use. The work of plastering, painting, carpentering, etc., was done by volunteers. The finished product stands as evidence of what community enthusiasm and cooperation can accomplish. The school staff is grateful to those people who contributed so generously of time and effort.

Seldom has there been a project manifesting more efficient planning and execution than the hot lunch program. The Parent-Teacher Association and its assistants are performing an inestimable service in furnishing nourishing lunches to approximately one hundred pupils each day at a price of 17 cents per pupil per meal.

Mr. Malcolm D. Clark has given free use of his bus to all basketball games this season. I wish to hereby publicly acknowledge this generosity and say "Thank you, Mr. Clark."

Audio-visual-physical examinations were given and parents have been informed of the results of the same.

Instruction through the use of our movie projector continues as a regular part of the school activities.

School parties, dances, suppers, etc., are interspersed among

the more academic pursuits to provide normal and healthy recreation that at the same time develops individual and group responsibilities.

I wish again to thank the School Board members, the Superintendent of Schools, the School Faculty and the Citizens of Amherst for their cooperation and for the privilege of working with them in this business which aims at serving our community, state and nation by training today for a better tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK A. SMALL,
Headmaster

Amherst, New Hampshire, February 10, 1947

Teacher and Subject or Grade	Experience Here	Total Experience
Charlotte Boutelle—Grades 5 and 6	21	23
Eva Gagnon—Grades 1 and 2	1	5
Richard Grodin—English, French	1	4
Gladys Larson—Grade 2	1	3
Marion Macklin—Commercial Subjects	1	2
Mary McGee—Grades 3 and 4	2	7
Bertha Piper—Latin, History	38	38
Miriam Roby—Mathematics	2	9
Frederick Small—Headmaster Social Subj.	2	12
Elsie Wheeler—Music	13	15

REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISION, 1945-1946

Dr. Oscar Burns, Examiner

Esther E. McCormick, R. N., School Nurse

The total number of children examined: 170

The following defects, treatments, and corrections were reported:

	Defects	Treatments	Corrections
Underweight	7	3	
Defective Vision	11	7	7
Defective Hearing	13	7	
Anaemia	2		
Nervous Condition	1		
Cardiac Disease	3	3	
Pulmonary Disease	0		
Orthopedic	1	1	
Defective Teeth	82	63	52
Diseased Tonsils	11	4	4
Enlarged Glands	12	5	
Defective Speech	1	1	

Parents were informed of all of the above cases.

Diseases reported:

Chicken Pox	20
Measles	2
German Measles	17
Mumps	1
Pediculosis	4
Skin Diseases	2

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1946

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Official Station and Residence of Person by Whom Married
1945						
Sept. 10, N. Y. City	William Patrick Dunlay	New York City				Murray W. Stand Deputy City Clerk New York City
	Elizabeth I. Hunter	Amherst				
Oct. 3, England	Harold Parker Pratt, Jr.	Amherst	20	Harold Parker Pratt		John Clifford Mitchell Birkenhead, Eng.
	Brenda Elizabeth Parr	Birkenhead, Eng.	17	George Parr		
1946						
Jan. 12, Amherst	Joseph Napoleon Basteau	Fitchburg, Mass.	31	Joseph Buteau	Canada	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
				Alexandrieau Legros	Canada	
	Hilda Sophia Rintala	Fitchburg, Mass.	25	John E. Rintala	Finland	
				Hilda M. Korpi	Fitchburg, Mass.	
Feb. 12, Amherst	Arthur Josiah Fletcher	Milford	64	Horace F. Fletcher	Loudon	Rev. J. E. LeBosquet Clergyman Amherst
				Annie E. Brown	Loudon	
	Mertie Whitcher Howard	Amherst	60	Henry Noyes	Landaff	
				Emily E. Atwood	Landaff	
Feb. 23, Upton, Mass.	Robert P. Balch	Amherst	25	Lyle W. Balch		William Williams Clergyman Upton, Mass.
				Bessie A. Perkins		
	Dorothy L. Colcord	Upton, Mass.	22	David A. Colcord		
				Alice A. Tuttle		
Feb. 24, Amherst	John M. Kolehmainen	Milford	26	Julius Kolehmainen	Finland	Rev. Amos F. Chase Minister Amherst
				Matilda Neimi	Finland	
	Eileen Byrne	Amherst	18	John Byrne	Milton, Mass.	
				Effie Teed	Newton, Mass.	
Feb. 27, Amherst	John Elden Taylor	Somerville, Mass.	21	Elden John Taylor	Presque Isle, Me.	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
				Josephine D. Likout	Lawrence, Mass.	
	Christine Phillips	Somerville, Mass.	26	William V. Phillips	Albania	
				Lena H. Joseph	Albania	
Apr. 10, Milford	Harold Eastman, Jr.	Amherst	22	Harold Eastman	Franklin, Mass.	Lyle W. Lieder Clergyman Milford
				Lucy V. Fletcher	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	
	June Althea Hunt	Amherst	22	Otis H. Hunt	Monroe	
				Julia Fisher	Monroe	

May 4, Norfolk, Va.	Robert Coward Boardman	Amherst		Theodore E. Boardman		Edward J. Rees Minister Norfolk, Va.
	Margueritte Rives Roberts	Norfolk, Va.	26	Beulah E. Coward Henry H. Roberts		
May 11, Amherst	Angelo Racioppi	Somerville, Mass.	25	Margueritte W. Rives John Racioppi	Italy	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
	Ann DePippo	Somerville, Mass.	21	Rose Georgetti Marco DePippo	Italy Italy	
			20	Rose Rineldo	Italy	
May 25, Ware	Lawrence A. Fowle	Amherst	44	Charles Fowle Jennie Brown		E. W. McGlenen, Jr. Clergyman Ware, Mass.
	Edith M. Dean	Amherst	37	Guy Hardy Lillian Foster		
June 15, Amherst	Vernon Bates Wilkins	Amherst	23	Harold H. Wilkins Violet Bates	Amherst Saratoga Sp'ngs, N. Y.	Earl A. Mack Clergyman Milford
	Roberta Ellen Weston	Amherst	18	Richard W. Weston Cevie M. Towne	Amherst Wilton	
June 25, Amherst	Albert Martin Ott, Jr.	Brookline, Mass.	36	Albert M. Otto Mary L. Smith	British West Indies Boston, Mass.	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
	Irene Perkins Schatz	Dorchester, Mass.	29	Joseph Tavares Ann E. Perkins	England Portugal	
June 26, Amherst	Harold Gardiner Frost	Milford	21	Clarence G. Frost Martha E. Byam	Milford Milford	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
	Lora Ethel Dion	Amherst	18	Alfred J. Dion Edith M. Davis	Manchester Hollis	
June 29, Amherst	William Herbert Merrill	Manchester	22	John M. Merrill Blanche P. George	Bedford Goffstown	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
	Constance Ruth Webster	Manchester	20	Ralph E. Webster Emma B. Leach	Alstead East Putney, Vt.	
Aug. 3, Amherst	Ralph Ward Jury	Winchester, Mass.	23	Frank H. Jury Ruth M. Ward	Malden, Mass. Laconia, N. H.	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
	Rosanna Fay	Winchester, Mass.	23	Arthur C. Fay Martha E. Bartlett	St. John's, Canada Bethney, Mo.	
Aug. 3, Nashua	Andrew Fero Heinonen	Amherst	27	Simo Heino Martha Kuhuala	Finland Finland	John Pitts Catholic Priest Nashua
	Helen Catherine Urick	Nashua	28	John J. Urick Anastazia Hudoba	Lithuania Poland	
Aug. 10, Amherst	Samuel Edward Ross	Nashua	50	Samuel Ross Annie M. Ziemba	Poland Poland	Horton S. Allen Justice of the Peace Amherst
	Bernice Mary Ladd	Amherst	44	Peter Betters Katherine F. Hoy	Mooers Forks, N. Y. Hudson	
Aug. 10, Manchester	Frank Edmund Maffee	Milford	32	Frederick Maffee Clara St. Peter	Italy Italy	Maurice E. Barrett Minister Manchester
	Barbara Louise Anderson	Amherst	22	Gus L. Anderson Helina E. Monson	Westford, Mass. Amherst	

Sept. 30, Manchester	Ernest Roger Philibert	Bedford	23	Arthur V. Philibert	Bedford	Neree A. Bouchard
				Angeline Halle	Manchester	Catholic Priest
	Florence May Dion	Amherst	17	Alfred J. Dion	Amherst	Manchester
				Edith M. Davis	Hollis	
Oct. 4, Amherst	John Alexander Ward	Leominster, Mass.	24	John A. Ward	Nova Scotia	John E. LeBosquet
				Daisy M. Cosaboone	Gardner, Mass.	Clergyman
	Kathryn Welch	Sterling, Mass.	25	Walter A. Welch	Morrisville, Vt.	Amherst
				Lillian M. Godfrey	Stowe, Vt.	
Oct. 12, Amherst	John Willard Buttrick, Jr.	Greenville		John W. Buttrick	Melrose, Mass.	Rev. J. E. LeBosquet
			26	Marion L. Adams	Greenville, N. H.	Clergyman
	Violet Wilkins	Amherst	26	Harold H. Wilkins	Amherst	Amherst
				Violet Bates	Saratoga Springs, N.Y.	
Oct. 12, Nashua	Melvin George Becker	Amherst		Christian F. C. Becker	Leoh, Germany	Denton J. Neily
			35	Florence G. Price	Boston, Mass.	Minister
	Phyllis Lettitia Coy	Nashua	30	Robert E. Coy	Clinton, Mass.	Nashua
				Fannie S. Pero	Nashua	
Oct. 19, Milford	Henry John Kiestlinger	Merrimack		Peter Kiestlinger	Poland	Francis T. Hogan
			26	Agnes Szydlowski	Poland	Catholic Priest
	Marion Marie Hauptmann	Amherst		Frank J. Hauptmann	Quinebaug, Conn.	Milford
			25	Exelia Brosseau	Lawrence, Mass.	
Nov. 5, Milford	Anthony Joseph Kudalis, Jr.	Milford		Anthony J. Kudalis	Russia	Benjamin F. Prescott
			29	Eva Ermolovich	Russia	Justice of the Peace
	Theresa Mary Hall	Amherst	19	Woodbury C. Hall	Vienna, Maine	Milford
				Yvonne Caron	Boston, Mass.	
Nov. 10, Milford	Everett Allen Potter	Cambridge, Mass.	32	Frank T. Potter	Charlestown, Mass.	E. Eldredge Brewster
				Alice Wood	London, Eng.	Clergyman
	Alice Elizabeth Eastman	Amherst		Harold Eastman	Franklin, Mass.	Milford
			21	Vivian L. Fletcher	Bennington, Vt.	
Nov. 15, Milford	Willis Earl Stickney	Amherst	30	Earl H. Stickney	Hudson	E. Eldredge Brewster
				Ina M. Duncan	Hillsboro	Clergyman
	Nancy Elizabeth Crooker	Milford		Frank W. Crooker	Amherst	Milford
			20	Eva J. Smith	Milford	
Nov. 28, Milford	Robert Michael Stachura	Amherst		Michael P. Stachura	Austria	Francis T. Hogan
			21	Nellie Suprenane	Paxton, Mass.	Catholic Priest
	Avis Rose Fancher	Amherst	17	Ovida J. Fancher	Worcester, Mass.	Milford
				Eva C. Benoit	Providence, R. I.	
Dec. 28, Amherst	Richard Boylston Locke	Amherst		Howard R. Locke	Revere, Mass.	Rev. J. E. LeBosquet
			27	Louise L. Ford	Hyde Park, Mass.	Clergyman
	Helen Helena Miles	Amherst	21	Ernest W. Miles	Amherst, N. S.	Amherst
				Bessie E. Coburn	Oxford, N. S.	

Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H., for Year Ending December 31, 1946

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 2, Nashua	Karin Monica	George W. Files	Florence M. Cass	New Sayville, N. Y.	Republic of Panama
Feb. 5, Amherst	Rosalind	Albert H. Cota	Gladys Phillipps	Swanton, Vt.	Troy, Vt.
Feb. 5, Amherst	Rose Mary	Albert H. Cota	Gladys Phillipps	Swanton, Vt.	Troy, Vt.
Mar. 18, Goffstown	Patricia Eileen	Donald K. Holt	Helen B. Bryne	Hillsborough	Milton, Mass.
Apr. 17, Manchester	Stuart Edgar	Robert L. Michie	Theresa W. Carron	Boston, Mass.	Manchester
May 2, Nashua	Francis James	Francis G Duval	Shirley Hovis	Amherst	Alberta. Canada
May 25, Nashua	Selma Faye	Bernard F. Piper	Helen T. Fall	Tuftonboro	Tuftonboro
June 5, Goffstown	Rita Lillian	Fred D. Jones	Ida B. Gould	Wolfeboro	Tilton
June 17, Manchester	Michael Carl	Samuel Jaskilka	Norma Eblick	Ansonia, Conn.	Stafford Springs, Conn.
June 25, Manchester	Franks		June L. Franks		McKeesport, Penn.
July 6, Goffstown	Philip Wallace	George E. Byam	Helen Wallace	New Boston	Mont Vernon
Aug. 4, Nashua	Fred Andrew, Jr.	Fred A. Yunggebauer	Winona E. Cox	Amherst	Crossville, Tenn.
Aug. 6, Nashua	David Forrest	Forrest W. Jasper	Arlene E. Lougee	Nashua	Hudson
Aug. 10, Nashua	Gloria Jean	James R. Blair	Elizabeth P. Signor	North Reading, Mass.	New Boston
Aug. 13, Nashua	Gloria Lee	Ormon A. Dodge	Mary D. Dion	Dover	Amherst
Aug. 22, Nashua	Sidney Paul	Arthur H. Todd	Beatrice M. Avery	Chester, Vt.	Wilton
Sept. 5, Manchester	Eric Watson, II	Eric W. Hare	Katherine E. Geffers	Amherst	Brooklyn, N. Y.
Sept. 7, Amherst	Robert William	Clarence H. Adams	Mabel A. Chamberlain	Reading, Mass.	Colebrook
Oct. 14, Concord	Christina Jane	Henry J. Cote	June Flanders	Concord	Concord
Oct. 15, Nashua	Richard Burton	Roger W. Weston	Edith F. Cass	Amherst	Nashua
Oct. 18, Nashua	Donald Fullam	Fullam L. Ripley	Ernestine A. Adams	Bethel, Vt.	Chichester
Oct. 24, Nashua	Judith Ann	John S. Mulvey	Barbara L. North	Bennington, Vt.	Bennington, Vt.
Oct. 30, Nashua	Bruce Robert	Leonard Bono	Pauline M. Currier	Boston, Mass.	Nashua
Oct. 30, Nashua	Curtis Randolph, II	Curtis R. Worthen	Carolyn Carter	Chelmsford, Mass.	Waterbury, Conn.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H., for Year Ending December 31, 1946

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age			Name of Father	Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 3, Amherst	Nellie Vincent Lease	61	9	5	Julian C. Lease	Nellie Vincent	Plainfield, Vt.	Plainfield, Vt.
Jan. 15, Nashua	Lionel Cobb	88	8	13	Isaac Cobb		Windham, Maine	
Jan. 15, Nashua	Wilhelmina Christine Cross	73		18	Alexander Karnheim	Cecelia King	Germany	Germany
Jan. 18, Amherst	Isabel H. Barnes	85	2	11	James T. Robertson	Isabel S. Metcalf		
Jan. 19, Amherst	William Manford Huggard	68	0	2	John Huggard	Susan Melory	New Brunswick	New Brunswick
Jan. 23, Manchester	°Ella Campbell Brine	52	3	25	Noah Campbell	Georgina Wisener	L'w'r Montagne, P.E.I.	Grand View, P. E. I.
Feb. 3, Amherst	°Sherman Arthur Merrill	15	0	26	Maurice Merrill	Florence Howard	Milford	Milford
Feb. 8, Melbourne, Florida	°Estelle Beechler Saywell	65	3	13	Joseph Beechler	Elizabeth Delmuth	Newark, N. J.	Newark, N. J.
Feb. 9, Amherst	Emma Francella Hardy	93	8	3	Luther Hardy	Hannah Sawtelle	Hollis	Hollis
Mar. 1, Amherst	Elizabeth Henderson Manning	75	1	26	James Wilson	Janet Whitelew	Glasgow, Scotland	Glasgow, Scotland
Mar. 3, Amherst	Amos R. Stoddard	90	5	9	Prentis Stoddard	Mary Atwood	Nelson	Nelson
Mar. 26, Amherst	Rose Marie Philips	55	5	9	Louis Gardner	Rose Roe	Keysville, N. Y.	Morrisville, Vt.
Apr. 7, Amherst	°Kate B. Pesterfield	86			Jeremiah Buckley	Mary	Ireland	Ireland
Apr. 27, Nashua	°Kitty Downs	78	4	10	Daniel Kezer	Martha Emery	Vermont	Vermont
May 3, Amherst	Rachel Holt Glover	76	3	4	Enoch C. Holt	Stoddard McCartney	Maine	West Brookfield, Vt.
May 25, Nashua	Lavina Helen Chase	76	7	29	Samuel I. Davis			
June 1, Finland	John Rafael Lilljeberg	52						
June 1, Amherst	°Joseph Thomas Butler	57	7	0	Matthew S. Butler	Margaret Queenan	Kentville, N. S.	East Boston, Mass.
June 2, Nashua	Evelyn L. Tower	51	3	28	Levi Mathys	Sophrona	Canada	Canada
June 6, Goffstown	°Robert William Curtis				Charles F. Curtis	Opal E. Brown	Milford	Munsil, Indiana
June 18, Milford	°Norman Augustus Philbrook	60	10	10	Florence Philbrook	Georgiana Spaulding		Buckfield, Maine
July 1, Milford	°Frederick George Farwell	71		15	John Farwell	Eliza Lewis	Cornish	Cornish
July 2, Amherst	Nellie May Terrien Manning	69	10	14	Edward Terrien	Caroline LaCasse	Canada	Canada
July 20, Nashua	Earland Edward Hall	36	8	2	Frederick G. Hall	Irinda Burton	Tyngsboro, Mass.	Lyndeboro
July 21, Amherst	Elizabeth D. Danforth	80	5	11	Steven D. Haskins	Sarah B. Randall	Rochester, Mass.	Nantucket, Mass.
July 31, Pittsfield	Harry B. Gore	44	10	7	John R. Gore	Bealah Brigham	Maine	Bridgeton, Maine
Aug. 4, Amherst	Charles Hill Barker	74	2	22	Jacob L. Barker	Miranda		
Sept. 7, Amherst	Samuel Clark	89	11	17	Samuel Clark	Mary	Mt. Sorrel, Eng.	
Sept. 14, Nashua	°Nelson Merchant	76	1	15	Levis Merchant	Anna Fisher	Williston, Vt.	
Sept. 25, Amherst	°Mary Eliza Atkinson	72	6	4	David F. Chute	Ann Pharis	Digby, N. S.	Bridgeport, N. S.
Dec. 2, Manchester	°Alice Barrett	85						

° Remains buried in Amherst. Remains of all others carried out of town.

BROUGHT FROM AWAY AND BURIED IN TOWN

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Cemetery
			Years	Months	Days	
Mar. 10,	Nashua	James Frank Weston	94	4	21	Cricket Corner
Mar. 12,	Lowell	Susie Robertson	72	11	11	Meadowview
Mar. 29,	Boston	Selden L. Staples	75			Meadowview
Apr. 9,	Goffstown	Origene Vigneault	79	10	1	St. Patrick's
Apr. 14,	Worcester	Annie M. Pettes	77	4	12	Meadowview
May 19,	Milford	Catherine Mary Caulfield	73	5	26	St. Patrick's
June 5,	Nashua	Francis Gervis	70	1	28	St. Patrick's
June 26,	Milford	Bridget Agnes Mahoney	61	5	28	St. Patrick's
Sept. 8,	Woburn, Mass.	Marceline G. Buckley	71			St. Patrick's
Sept. 11,	Milford	John J. Dillon	76		28	St. Patrick's
Sept. 12,	Boston	Mary A. Staples	72			Meadowview
Nov. 13,	Nashua	H. Emma Weston	88			Cricket Corner

Of the Deaths recorded for 1946, 2 were between 90 years of age and 100; 6 between 80 and 89; 9 between 70 and 79; 5 between 60 and 69; 5 between 50 and 59; and 4 below 50.

One of the most important records of a town is the Vital Statistics, not only for today but for years to come. If everyone would see to it that the records of their own family were fully and correctly filled out on the Birth, Marriage and Death certificates when handed in for filing, it may later be of great use to them or their descendants at some future day and a great help to this office in making out the records of today.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief so far as the information has been furnished by the reporting person.

HORTON S. ALLEN,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF
Ways and Means Committee
TOWN OF AMHERST, N. H.
FISCAL YEAR 1946-1947

REPORT OF WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE TOWN OF AMHERST, N. H., FISCAL YEAR '46-'47

Your Ways and Means Committee for 1946 has been faced not only with higher costs for materials and higher salary and labor rates, but also with the accumulated needs of several years for maintenance and repair of town property. Yearly appropriations for that purpose either have been inadequate or omitted entirely, in the interests of economy. The members of the committee feel that it is false economy to neglect such matters further inasmuch as deterioration becomes cumulative. Beyond that, indications are that the purchasing power of our dollars will decrease as time goes on.

The cost of bringing back town property to sound condition is greater than it seems advisable to assume in a single year. By way of making a start this committee is recommending that sums be spent for the more urgent needs and urges that such sums be considered as the first in a program of yearly expenditures, the objective of which will be to bring town property to a state of repair that can be maintained from that point on at a modest annual cost.

Your committee recommends that estimated expenditures as presented by the various departments and listed in your town reports be accepted and that the town raise and appropriate sufficient sums to provide for them, with these exceptions:

1. That the estimate for Town Officers' salaries be reduced to $1496.25, which sum provides for a 15 percent increase in salaries and the payment of $15 each to two auditors.

2. That the estimate for Town Officers' expenses be reduced to $1150.

3. That in addition to $100 for spraying, the sum of $300 be appropriated to be used as follows:

$100 for loam around trees in the park.
$150 for trimming trees outside of park.
$ 50 for fertilizing trees.

The additional sum is recommended because your Committee feels that spraying alone is inadequate. The care of our trees has been neglected for several years. As a result there is urgent need for trimming, feeding and replacing. The cost of a complete program is too great to absorb in one year. It is recommended that the foregoing sum be appropriated as the first step in a program of tree conservation and that added sums be appropriated yearly.

4. That the estimate for General Expense of Highway Department be increased to $300 to cover the estimated expense ($200) of building a shed with lumber owned by the town, for sheltering the town snow plows.

5. That the estimate for oiling be increased to $9500. The sum of $2500 is estimated for re-oiling. There are 3.6 miles of road to be initially oiled. Estimates as to the cost per mile vary, but $2000 per mile appears to be the minimum for new oiling.

6. That the estimate for Town Aid be reduced to $750 inasmuch as some persons who required aid in 1945 will not require it this year and others will not require as much as in 1945.

7. That the estimate for Parks and Playgrounds be increased from $300 to $575, seventy-five dollars of which shall be used for painting the wooden rails of the fence around the common. Your Committee feels that the present cost of labor renders a sum of $300 inadequate to provide proper care of one of the town's greatest assets.

8. That the estimate for Town Dumps be increased from $50 to $75 to provide for the cleaning and fencing off of the Baboosic Dump, which has become an eyesore.

9. After careful consideration it is the conclusion of your committee that the benefits to be obtained from a Commercial Course for Amherst High School do not warrant an added expenditure of $2500 a year for that purpose, as called for by Article 11 in the Warrant for Annual School Meeting.

Warrant

Article 1. No recommendation necessary.

Article 2. Your committee recommends that such sums of money be appropriated as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

Article 3. Your committee recommends that the town authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 4. Your committee recommends that the sum of $25 be raised and appropriated for a sign to read: Town Hall, Amherst, N. H., and that such sign be in gold leaf and that it be placed at the base of the gable over the front door of the Town Hall Building.

Article 5. Your committee recommends that the sum of $300 be raised and appropriated to gravel and tar Jail Avenue.

Article 6. Your committee recommends that Milford Street at Baboosic Lake be made a one-way street, that gravel only be used, and that the cost of graveling be paid from the money appropriated for Town Maintenance.

Article 7. Your committee recommends that the sum of $150 be raised and appropriated to repair and paint the roof of the Town Hall building. It is esti-

mated that such repairs will be effective for about two years.

Article 8. Your committee recommends that the sum of $100 be raised and appropriated to repair the roof of the library building, with the understanding that if the repair work can not be guaranteed, the entire amount is to be placed in a permanent fund to be used toward a new roof.

Article 9. Your committee recommends that the town does not raise and appropriate the sum of $1915 to be spent with a like sum by the State of N. H. on the Baboosic Road. Your committee finds that no estimate of the total cost of the project is available. It is not known when the project will be completed nor for exactly what purpose an initial payment of $1915 would be used. Because of the project there is no assurance that the Town of Amherst will receive Town Road Aid until the project is completed. It is felt that no money should be raised or appropriated in the absence of complete information concerning the project.

Article 10. Your committee recommends that no committee be appointed to serve as Park Commissioners. With the appropriation recommended by your Ways and Means Committee, it is felt that supervision adequate to insure proper care of parks and playgrounds will be available.

Article 11. Your committee recommends that the town does not allow discount on taxes.

Article 12. Your committee recommends that the town vote to discontinue the cross-driveway between the black roads that cross at the northwest corner of Mr. Knight's property.

Article 13. Your committee recommends that the town does not accept the road described in Article 13 of the warrant.

Article 14. Your committee recommends that the

town authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to draw money from the Town Maintenance Account or from Town Surplus rather than from the Oiling Account for the town's share of T.R.A. if it develops that T.R.A. is available.

Article 15. Your committee recommends that the town raise and appropriate the sum of $500 to be used toward remodeling the kitchen in the Town Hall Building and that a committee be appointed in accordance with the provisions of Article 15, with duties as given in that Article.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD H. DAVIS, Chairman,
BENJAMIN G. BUNDY, Sec'y.,
DANA L. FULLER,
ANDREW J. RAYMOND,
ROBERT L. SMITH,
RICHARD W. WESTON.

SUMMARY

	Selectmen's Estimate	Committee Recommendation
1. Town Officers salaries	$1580.00	$1496.25
2. Town Officers expenses	1200.00	1150.00
3. Election & registration	250.00	250.00
4. Town Clock	25.00	25.00
5. Town Hall maintenance	400.00	400.00
6. Town Hall roof (See Article 7 of warrant)		
7. Police Department	400.00	400.00
8. Fire Department	1850.00	1850.00
9. Spraying	100.00	400.00
10. Health Deparment	50.00	50.00
11. Vital Statistics	50.00	50.00
12. Town Maintenance	5000.00	5000.00
13. Snow	4500.00	4500.00

14. Gen'l Exp. Highway dept.	100.00	300.00
15. Oiling	9000.00	9500.00
16. Street Lights	1375.00	1375.00
17. Old Age Assistance	2200.00	2200.00
18. Town Aid	1000.00	750.00
19. Library	800.00	800.00
20. Auto Permit fees	150.00	150.00
21. Memorial Day	100.00	100.00
22. Parks and Playgrounds	300.00	575.00
23. Cemeteries	700.00	700.00
24. Interest	175.00	175.00
25. Town Dump	50.00	75.00
26. Town Debt	1500.00	1500.00
27. County Tax	5479.80	5479.80
28. Schools	18,981.00	18,981.00
Total	57,315.80	58,232.05
Article 4, Town Hall Sign	25.00	25.00
Article 5, Jail Avenue	300.00	300.00
Article 6, Milford Street	500.00	
Article 7, Town Hall Roof		150.00
Article 8, Library Roof		100.00
Article 15, Town Hall Kitchen		500.00
	58,140.80	59,307.05

Help Prevent Forest Fires

The elimination of human causes from the forest fire problem is the answer. This is not as difficult of accomplishment as it might appear at first glance. Let each one who reads this–

1. Use ordinary common sense with fire in and near woodland.
2. Comply with requirements on the use of fire in and near woodland and when the ground is not covered with snow, secure written permission to burn from the forest fire warden.
3. Be careful when smoking in or near woodlands. Don't throw lighted material from moving vehicles.
4. Cooperate with and assist the warden and urge others to do so.
5. HELP YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN PREVENT FIRES–his efforts are only as effective as is the cooperation you give him!

Your forest fire warden is Chief A. L. Martin.

CHARLES F. YOUNG,
District Fire Chief
N. H. Forestry and Recreation Dept.